



## **AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of June 9, 2020  
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of June 16, 2020

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**DATE:** May 5, 2020  
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| <b>Acceptance of a Grant for the Operation Stonegarden Program</b> |
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### **CAPTION:**

Ordinance accepting a grant in the amount of \$228,129.00 from the State of Texas Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division for Operation Stonegarden for border security; and appropriating \$228,129.00 in the Police Grants Fund.

### **SUMMARY:**

This item is to accept funding available from the State of Texas Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division for Operation Stonegarden to aid in enforcement activities along known trafficking corridors within the City.

### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

The City of Corpus Christi was identified as an integral part of the U.S. Border Patrol's strategy to enhance cooperation and coordination among all agencies in a joint mission to secure the United States borders. Approved funding will be used to enhance enforcement efforts along routes of ingress and coastal waterways by improving enforcement, improved rapid mobility and intelligence. The Corpus Christi Police Department will enhance enforcement in conjunction with federal, state, and local partners along SH 44, SH 77, SH 181 and along routes of the coastal waterways surrounding the City of Corpus Christi including the Padre Island National Seashore. In addition, the Corpus Christi Police Department will participate in at least one major multiagency interdiction effort.

The Police Department will utilize the funding to conduct overtime operations designed to reduce border-security risk. Tactical operations will conduct approximately 4,333 hours of overtime. The grant will pay for overtime and fringe benefits. The grant period is from April 1, 2020 – February 28, 2021. This is Year 9 of the grant.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Not accept the grant thereby providing for less overtime towards border security and in turn combat drug and human trafficking.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact for FY20 is accepting funds and appropriating \$228,129.00 to the Police Grants Fund.

**Funding Detail:**

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| Fund:                  | Police Grants Fund 1061 |
| Organization/Activity: | 822718F                 |
| Mission Element:       | 151                     |
| Project # (CIP Only):  |                         |

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends accepting the grant and appropriating the funds.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Grant award document